

ROUND 1 QUICK QUOTES
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CAMERON CHAMP (-5)



Q. Five under with a hot start on the first nine. Talk about your round today.

CAMERON CHAMP: Yeah, it was just, like I said, I made a few bad swings, but altogether it was a solid day. I kind of stuck to my game plan, just tried to be as aggressive as I could.

Obviously my front side, the back, drove it well, ironed it well. Obviously made a little hiccup on my first tee ball.

And even my back side, the front, I really didn't feel like I played bad, just didn't really give myself many good looks. Obviously the wind kicked up a lot more than we were expecting it to, so that makes it a little more challenging on the front side. And obviously on the front, 6 and 7 were obviously the gettables. After that you're trying to just par them and if you make a birdie here or there, great. I'll take it and run and just try to continue that tomorrow.

Q. Mentioned wind picks up, tends to do that in the afternoon here. Where do you see the afternoon wave going for today's round, and then you'll be playing in the afternoon tomorrow?

CAMERON CHAMP: Yeah, like I said, I thought the forecast said 12 maximum in the afternoon. It's definitely blowing more than 12 right now. It will be interesting to see, the course is drying out slowly, you can definitely tell on some holes getting a little bit of bounce, but still generally it's pretty soft.

Yeah, tomorrow, like I said, just going to try to do the same thing I did today. Try definitely on 9 and 10 to do a little bit better.

Q. Top-10s in both prior starts here as well as Tony and a few others. How does that match a long driver's game?

CAMERON CHAMP: Yeah, like I said, I think the length of the golf course in the wind definitely favors longer guys. All the par 5s today, even this morning, a couple of them I had to hit a good driver, 3-wood even to get to the front. For a guy that's longer, it's obviously an advantage.

Like you said, morning versus afternoon, afternoon could play a lot differently, too. With some of those winds, I might not even be able to get to some of the par 5s. Tomorrow will obviously be a different test playing the afternoon, but looking forward to it.

